

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration is requested.

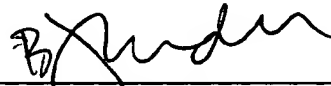
The originally submitted "Fig. 8." is in fact the Figure 5 described on page 16, lines 10-11 of the specification. The incorrectly labeled Fig. 8 has been replaced by the attached correctly labeled Fig. 5. No new matter has been added. A marked up copy of the attached Figure is included for completeness.

An early and favorable action on the merits of the claimed invention is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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